

NWS Louisville Helps Henryville, Indiana Rebuild after March 2, 2012 EF-4 Tornado

On March 2, 2012, an EF-4 tornado stayed on the ground for more than 50 miles across southern Indiana, completely destroying 200 homes and damaging 1,000 more. Among some of the hardest hit regions across southern Indiana were the town of Henryville and the area near Madison. Although several months have passed since the deadly tornado, families continue to clean up debris, rebuild homes, and heal emotionally.

In an effort to aid these devastated areas before the holiday season, Southern Indiana Habitat for Humanity started a “Blitz Build” in Fall 2012 to build 19 new homes before Christmas. Volunteers from NWS Louisville worked on some of the new houses being built in Henryville between Thanksgiving and Christmas. Workers spent their days hanging shelves and vinyl siding, applying tension to door hinges, and prepping slab foundations for flooring. Thanks to the hard work of volunteers from WFO LMK as well as hundreds of volunteers from across the country, 10 families that fell victim to the March 2 tornado in Henryville were able to move into brand new homes right before Christmas!

Below are pictures of NWS Louisville volunteers hard at work:

Student Volunteer Geoffrey Sego (left) and General Forecaster Brian Schoettmer (right).

